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SUBJECT: POSSIBLE BOLIVIA-PERU NARCOTICS COOPERATION

1. "LA PRENSA" JULY 20 CARRIES A SOMEWHAT MISLEADING STORY ON STATEMENTS BY COL. OVIDIO APARICIO, DIRECTOR OF BOLIVIAN NARCOTICS CONTROL OFFICE PRESENTLY IN LIMA FOR BILATERAL TALKS PRELIMINARY TO DEA CONFERENCE, TO THE EFFECT THAT BOLIVIA AND PERU ARE PLANNING TO SIGN A BILATERAL ACCORD FOR GRADUAL REDUCTION OF COCA PLANTINGS. APARICIO ALLEGEDLY SAID THAT PRELIMINARY STUDIES FOR THE AGREEMENT HAVE BEEN DONE, THAT A SIMILAR AGREEMENT IS IN FORCE BETWEEN BOLIVIA AND BRAZIL, AND THAT AN ACCORD WITH PERU WOULD CREATE A "TRIANGLE OF CONTROL" ON NARCOTICS PRODUCTION AND TRAFFICKING.

2. COMMENT: EMBASSY NARCOTICS ADVISOR, IN SEEKING CLARIFICATION OF REMARKS DIRECTLY FROM COL. APARICIO, LEARNED THAT WHAT BOLIVIA IS SEEKING IS AN ENFORCEMENT AGREEMENT WITH PERU SIMILAR TO THE ONE THEY HAVE WITH BRAZIL. SHLAUDEMAN

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